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"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, who never to himself hath said--"EMPRESS"

Organise Express Branch U.F.A.

A meeting for the purpose of organising an Express branch of the U.F.A. took place in Mr. Brown's Centre Street store on Saturday, December 12 at 2.30 p.m. Mr. Fuller was elected chairman and Wm. Engelbrecht, secretary, pro tem.

Twenty-one members signified their willingness to join and it was decided to organise.

The following officers were then elected:

President: A. Alex; Vice-President: D. McLean.

Directors: Thos. Jahnowski, Paul Smanski, Wm. Highmoor, Granville Mills, Ed. Best, Carl Frenzli.

Resolved, that this branch be called the Express Branch of the U.F.A. and that a meeting shall be held every Saturday.

Resolved, that this Union go into the co-operative business.

Resolved, that Alex, Hay be allowed 5 p.c. if goods taken from car and 10 p.c. if handled through warehouse.

Resolved, that the U.F.A. hold a dance, and that the directors fix date for holding of same, Car.

Resolved, that members pay 50c and non-members, \$1.00, Car.

Resolved, that this Union endorse and recognise the policy of the Farmer's Union Fire Insurance Co. which has been organised under the Alberta Insurance Act, for the benefit of the farmers of Alberta. Car.

A very good paper was given at last Tuesday's Meeting of the Fraternal Society by Dr. Hagge on the character of the large C.P.R. Irrigation System in the Calgary and Bassano districts. The paper proved to be most interesting and instructive. We learned that the Bassano dam was the largest structure of its kind in the world that the country under irrigation covered an area of 40,000 odd square miles. That with the help of irrigation, alfalfa will be most widely cultivated, and Southern Alberta once more leap into fame as a stock raising country. Also, owing to the long day and consequent length of sunshine here in the summer time, sugar beet would undoubtedly be more cultivated the best producing a very large p.c. of sugar per ton owing to the amount of sunshine. Altogether the Dr.'s paper was well received and a very hearty vote of thanks was passed at the conclusion of the meeting. The program for next Tuesday night is a debate, "Resolved that Capital Punishment be Abolished." Affirmative, Messrs. McLean and Henderson. Negative, Messrs. McDonald and McIntosh.

Vandye News

Mr. Joe Kennedy visited Vandye on Friday.

Albert Cook paid a visit to Express on Saturday, returning with hay for J. W. Wood, making the round trip the same day.

Mr. W. R. Hendry of Poneros, was a visitor to Express on Thursday of last week.

Corporal Corby patrolled the Vandye district on Thursday and returned on Saturday last.

The Representative of --?

We are very grateful for the many expressions of appreciation of our last week's issue of the Express. We may say that we have received criticism along two lines only. In the one instance it is said that in our report, in regard to the proceedings of nomination, we dealt too leniently with the actions pursued. In the other instance, the returning officer himself has objected to our presence to our denoting him as a representative of the Minister. On this latter point we should like to make comment. In the first place it is difficult to see that there is anything to be gained in favor of the returning officer, if even we could be shown to be wrong, and the representative authority he moved one or two back. But in our own defence, we state further that we were writing only according to the impression made upon us by the perusal of the village act. And even then, presuming that we might be wrong even in this, if such officer be a representative, not of the minister, but of the people, as he states himself, why did he act as follows--When in the case of the dispute which occurred (other to ascertain distinctly what action was required of him, or to receive the conclusive decision of the power in direction and control), he applied, not to the people, but directly to the minister. He refused to listen in the theatre to the people, because, he explained, his "duty" had already been prescribed to him. We simply ask the question--Who had prescribed the "duty," the people of Express, or some higher office?

More Certain

The Express Union of the U.F.A. have decided to hold a dance on Thursday, Dec. 31st New Year's Eve. Admission will be \$1.00. Ladies are asked to bring bas tets.

This is a copy of a notice that appears in a lunch parlor not a hundred miles from St. James street:

"The allied armies are proposing to enter their Christmas dinner at Berlin. Canadians who are unable to be present and who are in need of the ordinary meal in the meantime, should call at --, where we can get you for a quartet." --Week's Weekly

There are among our readers some who would like to secure an *Express* subscription with the Express. We can now offer the Edmonton Daily Capital with War Atlas and the Express Express, the whole three, at the cheap rate of \$3; this will ensure you the receipt of both papers for one year.

German Fleet Makes Raid On English Coast

Wednesday, Dec. 16--A German fleet made a raid into the North Sea to-day and shelled Scarborough, Hartlepool and Hull, unfortified towns on the English coast. Reported that 18 have been killed in Scarborough. Entire rows of houses have been destroyed in Hartlepool. The number of German cruisers taking part in the raid is four to six. Reported that they were at once attacked by British warships and that two of the hostile cruisers were sunk.

A Summary

Though the war still progresses, at what seems to us a slow rate and the newspapers to be of a more or less stereotyped nature, the tone from every quarter of the news in which Belgium is taking place, continues optimistic in nature and the allies plan of slow strangulation of the enemy seemingly develops. In the fighting in France and Belgium the allies are now superior in number to the enemy, slowly forcing him back, and apparently are strong enough to deal with any counter attacks which may be made. In Poland, Russia is again taking matters in hand and are accredited with big success in this region. Little Serbia has turned on her enemy and driven her out of Belgrade and presumably practically out of Serbia. In Italy the smoke from participation in the war seems to hang very heavy and liable to burst into flame at any moment. The sinking or capture of the Dresden the only remaining ship aloft of Admiral Von Spee's fleet, by pursuing warships seems imminent.

Anglican Church Hold Successful Bazaar

The Bazaar held on Sunday last by the members of the Anglican W.A. proved a distinct success. The stalls were very attractively decorated and business was generally very brisk. The fish pond was a source of constant amusement. Altogether much credit is due to the ladies for their untiring efforts and they can now congratulate themselves that the furnishings of the church have been completely paid for through their efforts.



With Cash in the Bank You Can Buy to Advantage

You know how everything costs more when you have to buy on credit. Why not practice self-denial a while if necessary, open a Savings Account in the **Union Bank of Canada**, and with the money in hand, buy at Cash prices? The discounts will help to swell your bank balance, and you will have made a good start towards financial independence.

Express Branch R. E. Mundell, Manager

A petition was circulated in town this week for the purpose of having (henceforth) council aside and asking the Minister that he name a date for the purpose of holding another civic election.

Hockey Club

A meeting for the purpose of forming an hockey club took place on Saturday evening last at the store of S. E. Peters & Son. At this meeting R. Dow Aston was elected captain, and G. G. Peters, secretary-treasurer.

The rink proprietors agreed to allow the club three practices per week. In regard to games the club were to receive 40 per cent.

The meeting was then adjourned until Wednesday evening.

Wednesday, Dec. 16--The meeting was called to order by the captain.

Aston, Peters--That A. Belle be appointed manager. Car.

G. G. Johnston requested that hockey boys help in their spare time as much as possible in preparation of rink.

Black, Beatty--That D. McEachern be elected president of the club. Car.

Belle, Aston--That voluntary membership be asked, each member to pay 50c for rink fees. Car.

Beatty, McEachern--That R. E. Mundell act with the officers as a committee. Car.

McJohnson stated that he expected to have the rink in shape by this week end.

Express Hotel Shannavan Destroyed By Fire

A disastrous fire occurred at Shannavan, Sask., on Wednesday December 15 at 2 a.m. The Express Hotel valued at \$85,000 a total loss; the Savoy Cafe was almost totally destroyed and the McDougall-Schneider pool hall, severely damaged by fire and water. The total loss is estimated at \$85,000 damage.

Make your friends a Christmas present of a year's subscription to The Express Express, Alberta's brightest paper

Militarism--The Widow

It's a long way to Tipperary! but it's a sad, sad day in Tipperary. There are now five hundred widows in Tipperary which shows something of the misery which the war has already inflicted there.

There comes to us the wonder to the men steeped in militarism ever feel, facing their consciences alone at night, the force of Massinger's lines in one of his plays--

"Some undone widow sits upon mine arm,
And take away the use of it;
And my sword,
Guilty to my scabbard with wronged orphans tears,
Will not be drawn!"

St. Mary's Anglican Church

Sunday, December 20--10.30
Stuffed Olives and Holy Communion. 7.30 a.m. evening.

Christmas Day, -- 11 a.m. Church Matins and Holy Communion with Special Christmas Music.

Sunday, December 27--11 a.m. Holy Communion at Delta school House 7.30 p.m. Evening Song and with Christmas Carols

Temperatures of the Past Week

	Min.	Max.
Thurs. Dec. 10	6	19
Friday, Dec. 11	1	8
Sat. Dec. 12	5	7
Sun. Dec. 13	10	8
Mon. Dec. 14	10	10
Tues. Dec. 15	15	12
Wed. Dec. 16	17	10

FARMERS

If you have land in Canada you wish to exchange for rich Texas land--SEE US.

We will sell you land in Texas and give you forty years to pay for it.

First-class quarter section to trade for Automobile, Confectionery or other stock of goods. What have you?

We have some very choice improved and unimproved farm lands in Saskatchewan to exchange for horses, cattle, hogs or sheep.

If you are in need of Feed or Seed Grain you should SEE US

If you have anything to sell or trade or wish to buy anything it will pay you to SEE US.

HOUSES TO RENT
TOWN LOTS FOR SALE
Loans, Insurance, Collections, Naturalization and all legal papers drawn.

The Pioneer Real Estate Agency

Notary Public Commissioners

Emprss Alt.

Children's Christmas Tree

A Christmas tree will be held in the theatre on Christmas Eve. A programme will be rendered by the young folks. The public are cordially invited to come and join in the fray. Santa has been notified to be present to distribute the presents from the tree. Further announcement will be made on Sunday eve, at Union Church Service.

THE EMPRESS HOTEL J. A. Curran, Manager

Special Sunday Dinner

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18th
17.30--19.00 o'clock
Price 50c.

- MENU
- Stuffed Olives
 - Salted Almonds
 - SOUP
 - Mock Turtle
 - FISH
 - Boiled B.C. Salmon, Sharp Salad
 - BOILED MEATS
 - Boiled Spare Ribs Beef
 - Horse Radish Sauce
 - ENTREES
 - Welsh Rarebit on Toast
 - German Pancakes

- ROASTS
- Roast Young Turkey and Celery Sauce
 - Prime Ribs of Beef, au Jus
 - Pork Chops
 - Veal Chops
 - VEGETABLES
 - Mashed Potatoes
 - Green Peas
 - DESSERT
 - Apple and Lemon Cream Pies
 - Blanc Manger Pudding
 - Assorted Nuts and Raisins

TEA COFFEE COCOA

Just two hours enjoyment at the

Grand Theatre

Saturday Night

A Beautiful Drama
The Reaping
two reels

AN EASTERN FLOWER

A WOMAN'S WILL

THE LADY KITTER (Comedy)

HEINZ'S RESURRECTION

Comedy

Don't Miss This

SKATING

ICE

K A T I N G

Emprss Rink

Hockey Match on Christmas Day

at 3 p.m.

Emprss Realty Company, Ltd.

Halvor L. Halvorsen, President N. O. Heinrichs, Secretary-Treasurer H. J. Dennis, Managing Director

Official Agents of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Department of Natural Resources for the

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Agents for Galt Coal, C.P.R. Bankhead Hard Coal and Briquettes. Fire, Life, Accident, Auto and Plate Glass Insurance

LISTINGS

We are now open to receive listings of Town Lots and other property. FOR QUICK SALE see us

EMPRESS, Alta. CALGARY, Alta. Minot, N. Dakota

DAWDY SOLVES the CHRISTMAS PROBLEM

FOR HER

Jewelry

Watches.....	\$ 2.25	\$20.00
Bracelet Watches.....	25.00	30.00
Rings.....	1.00	85.00
Locketts.....	50	10.00
Brooches.....	75	20.00
Bracelets.....	1.00	22.00
Cuff Links.....	1.00	3.50
Fobs.....	2.00	5.00
Ear-Rings.....	1.50	5.00
Necklets.....	1.25	15.00
Blouse Pins.....	35	2.50
Bar Pins.....	25	5.00

Fancy Goods

Toilet Sets.....	\$10.00	
Manicure Sets.....	7.00	\$18.00
Hand Bags.....	3.50	15.00
Mesh Bags.....	3.00	5.00
Vanity Cases.....	7.00	15.00
Jewel boxes.....	3.00	5.00
Silver Thimbles.....		.75
Pin Trays.....	.25	5.00
Fern Pots.....		2.50
Travelling sets, Music rolls,		
Watch Bracelets, etc.		

\$85.00 DIAMOND RING
which has been reduced \$1.00 per day since November 28th is

NOW DOWN TO \$64.00
and will be reduced \$1.00 per day till Christmas unless sold before that time.

\$80 White Cabinet Sewing Machine
is

down to \$59 to-day

and still going down, but do not wait too long and be disappointed.

YOU CANNOT BEAT THESE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS WORTH WHILE

FOR HIM

Jewelry

Watches.....	\$ 1.00	\$50.00
Chains.....	1.00	10.00
Locketts.....	50	10.00
Rings.....	3.00	12.00
Cuff Links.....	25	5.00
Scarf Pins.....	75	9.00
Fobs.....	1.00	8.00
Tie Clips.....	50	1.00
Shirt Studs.....	50	1.50
Emblem Pins.....	1.00	2.00
Collar Buttons.....	10	50

Fancy Goods

Ivory Brush set	\$18.50
Ebony brush set.....	5.00
Flasks	\$ 2.00.. 6.50
Folding Cups	1.00.. 1.75
Slippers in case.....	5.50
Cigar & Cigarette Cases, 1.50..	4.50
Fountain Pens.....	3.00.. 8.00
Cards in leather case.....	1.50.. 2.00
Tobacco Pouches.....	1.00.. 3.00
Collar boxes.....	1.00.. 2.50
Ash Trays.....	2.00.. 5.00

For the Home

A few of our exception: l values in Cut Glass

Water Set, Jug and half dozen Tumblers -	\$10.00
Berry Set, bowl and half dozen Nappies -	23.00
Tall Vase -	8.00
Nappies -	3.50 7.00
Knife Rests, Oil bottles, etc. -	2.00 5.00

Souvenir Spoons, Pins and Fobs

B. L. DAWDY & CO.

The Jewellers

Issuer of Marriage Licenses

Third Avenue

Empress

For the Home

A few articles in Silver Plate, needed on every table

Baking Dish -	\$11.00
Cake basket -	7.50
Cream and Sugar -	8.00
Spoon and Biscuit Racks -	6.00
Marmalade -	7.50

Knives, Forks, Spoons

All Prices

Sound and Safe

No town or city throughout the length and breadth of Canada offers better inducement for investment in freehold property than

EMPRESS

Solid fact in work already done by the C.P.R. (not to be done) cannot but convince the investor as to the ultimate future of Empress

C.P.R. Empress townsite and business lots only handled. Enquiries gladly answered.

HOUSES FOR SALE OR RENT

The Henderson Thomson Co.

SANTA CLAUS

WILL REALLY BE AT

Stoudt's Grocery store on

Christmas Morning

at 9.30 o'clock.

We want every boy and girl in
Empress to be there

and leave your name with us this week
so none will be missed

Hurry

Hurry

J. I. STOUDT

Gentlemen

(YOUNG AND OLD)

It may be a long long way to Tipperary but it's not far to go to have that suit or overcoat overhauled and pressed up. It brightens up not only the suit but also the wearer. He feels better and cleaner. Why not have that well-dressed feeling and appearance.

HAVE IT DONE UP BY

J. A. BLACK

Cleaner

and

Presser

Home-made Bread

Saskatchewan Creamery Butter

and a first-class selection of

FRUITS FOR XMAS

AT MASON'S MAJESTIC

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Christmas Day next Friday.

Mr. W. Steer, of Westerham, is a visitor in town this week.

Xmas gifts of class. See Dawdy's advt.

Mrs. Wm. Engelbrecht left for Regina on Tuesday.

For baby's cold try Brown's group liniment.

Mr. M. Rubensque, tailor, of Prussia, is a visitor to town on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. Pete Schank and friend took in the show on Saturday night.

Mr. P. B. Ostrum, returned to town on Friday from Elbow Lake, North Dakota.

Mr. W. Sparling has been confined to his bed during the past week from sickness.

When you think of Christmas, think of Dawdy's. See advt.

Mr. J. G. Mason arrived on Wednesday's train from Indian Head.

Mr. J. Broderick of the Morehart Broderick Lumber Co. has been visiting in town this past week.

The Rev. J. Waggett was confined to his bed the first of the week from sickness.

Ankle supports for skaters at Brown's.

Mrs. J. G. Mason gave an invitation ball to her several friends on Thursday night, Dec. 17.

The annual meeting of the Empress Agricultural Society is to be held to-day in the office of the Pioneer Real Estate Agency at 3 p.m.

Merry Christmas—Don't forget to get a box of candy at Mother Leonard's candy shop 25 p.c. off on every box.

The ones who have kept their ears to the ground listening for the rumblings of the Dominion election realise the sounds to be becoming very faint. With two sets of elections in the province there would have been more pickings for some one.

The attention of the rate-payers is called to the fact that a penalty of 5% is added to all unpaid taxes at the end of the year, and that the tax enforcement return will be immediately proceeded with.

Dainty gift stationery. Lowrey's choice chocolates, Xmas perfumes, sachet powders, Xmas cards, Cose pipes, cigar rettes and cigar holders, tobacco pouches, fountain pens, Brown's of course.

An error occurred in last week's report of the council minutes in regard to number of days worked by F. Nelson which should have read 15 days instead of 10 days: F. Nelson, scavenger, 15 days, \$62.00

Union Church service, next Sunday: Christmas music. Solo by Mrs. Sexton. Carols by double quartette. Subject, Significance of the Incarnation. Grand theatre, 7.30 p.m.

The Young Peoples Contest which had to be postponed from Wednesday, will be held to-night (Friday) in the school-house at 7.15 p.m. The public are invited.

Inspector T. M. Shootheham, R.N.-W.M.P., Medicine Hat, was in town on Wednesday, when he inspected the Empress detachment of the Mounted Police.

Owing to the "Express" being published early on Thursday morning, Dec. 24, advertisers would confer a favor by having their changes of advt. in this office by Saturday, as after this time change will not be guaranteed.

The annual meeting of the Empress Board of Trade will be held on Monday next Dec. 21, at 8 p.m. The election of officers for 1915 will take place. The board of trade have passed a motion that no membership fee be charged for the coming year, and all interested in the building up of Empress are invited to put in an attendance and enrol to help in the successful carrying out of the work of the board.

Friends of Mr. E. J. Lacy will be pleased to learn that we have received a letter from him dated Nov. 30, in which he states he is expecting to leave the hospital the following day and will be glad to get back here next spring. So we conclude that Mr. Lacy must be practically a well man again. Referring to the war he states, judging by those around him, American sympathy is for the allies, except in the case of those from the Fatherland.

Slow Markets

From gleamings it would appear that at least 50 p.c. of the saw mills in British Columbia are closed down. Evidently we should not grumble too much about conditions in Alberta.

INFORMATION WANTED

as to the ownership of 1 acre here, cream name and full post condition, bounded about 500 or 950 ft. Brand not known, ranging around 34-22-4; see December 17. Information required by Corporal F. Corby, Empress.

Kirner & Lamb's Store News

This store is headquarters for CHRISTMAS GIFTS for all. We have prepared an assortment of useful as well as handsome Christmas gifts for you.

Christmas Is Only One Week Away

You should do your shopping now for best selections

Christmas Groceries

We are especially well stocked with all lines and have taken special care that everything is of the best

YOU WILL FIND OUR PRICES ON ALL LINES REASONABLE

GET THAT WINNING "FREE PRESS" or "TELEGRAM" at the "Express" Office

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Don't Let Your Radiator Freeze---

Get ANTI-FREEZE

Specially Mixed for Any Temperature

Full Line of Ford Parts and Auto Accessories
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At Reduced Prices

Cook Stoves : The Famous McCLARY make in Ranges and other kinds. Call and look over these before deciding what to buy

FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

we have most suitable articles for presents for both sexes, young and old, including

A Nice Line of Cutlery

such as CARVING SETS, also Safety Razors, etc

A Number of Children's Hand Sleighs

The Empress Hardware

M. G. BOYD, Proprietor

Have You Got That FURNACE Yet?

If not consult ME!

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THE TINSMITH

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NEXT TO CITY CAFE

COAL! COAL! COAL!

Before Ordering Your Fuel

it will pay you to

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McKelvie & Robson

Empress Alberta

Flour delivered to any part of town

Now is the Time

Have Your Harness Repaired

at the

LANGE HARNESS SHOP

Work done expeditiously and with satisfaction

Boot and Shoe Repairing.

Shop on 3d avenue, east

C.P.R.'s Fourth Vessel on Clyde

Metagama, Sister Ship to Mississable Launched Friday, Breaking Record

The Metagama, sister ship to the Mississable, was successfully launched Friday and christened by Lady Biles, wife of Sir John Harvard Biles, L.L.D. designer for the admiralty, in the yards of Barclay, Curle & Co. at Glasgow. When the Metagama went down the ways she created a record which bids fair to remain unbroken by any shipping company engaged in Canadian or American business. She is the fourth vessel launched by the Canadian Pacific on the Clyde this year. In the light of the present conditions this is a glowing commentary on the substantial condition of her owners exchequer.

The Metagama's sister ship, the Mississable, reached Montreal recently on her second voyage out of Liverpool and went back again on Friday morning. They are of the "one-class" type with passenger accommodation for 520 second, and 1,200 third class. Each has a length of 520 feet and a beam of 64 feet, while the breadth of the passenger decks are 41 feet. Each vessel has a dead weight capacity of 7,950 tons with an approximate cargo capacity of 6,000 tons. The famous cruiser stern which is also the feature of the new boats placed on the Pacific is introduced by these boats on the Atlantic. The new ships have six complete steel decks. In order to ensure safety the hulls are sub-divided by watertight doors and bulk-heads, so as to be capable of floating when three compartments are open to the sea. These watertight bulkheads and doors are automatically controlled from the bridge. The speed of each vessel is 15½ knots with a draught of 27½. As for the interior of the vessels, each cabin stateroom is fitted with wardrobe and chest of drawers, folding lavatory with mirror and other conveniences. The public rooms are dining saloon, smoking room, lounge and drawing room. The domestic refrigerating plant is capable of making 300 lbs. of ice per eight hours. The vessels are heated on the thermo-tank and Critical system, changing air eight times each hour. There is also a printing plant on board each vessel. They are fitted with Murray's patent nested lifeboats as well as motor lifeboats. They are the first steamers to have Babcock and Wilcox patent davits, which enable the boats to be launched from either side of the ship even when at a considerable list.

Red Deer Garage

Blacksmith and Machine Shop

AGENTS FOR

McCormick Machinery

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Oliver Plows

Old Dominion Wagons

Dairy Maid Cream Separators

AUTO LIVERY

Proprietors, P. B. Ostrum and J. H. Williamson

To the Electors of the Village of Empress

STATUTORY DECLARATION

Canada
Province of
Alberta

To Wit:

In the matter of Election of Councillors for the Village of Empress for the Province of Alberta, for the year 1915.

I, Ira E. McLean (Contractor) of the Village of Empress, in the Province of Alberta, do solemnly declare that G. S. Leach and I are owners of Lot Twenty-Two (22) Block Eleven (11) Plan No. 5045 A. V. Village of Empress under an agreement of sale from Reuben M. Henderson of the Village of Empress aforesaid, dated the 14th day of May, A.D. 1914.

That the said lot and improvements thereon are worth at least Two Thousand (\$2000.00) Dollars.

That the said property is assessed at Eighteen Hundred (\$1800.00) Dollars.

That the names of G. S. Leach and Ira E. McLean were entered in the Assessment roll of the Village as owner of the above mentioned lot on or before the 15th day of July, A.D. 1914.

That the above-mentioned property was assessed in the name of Reuben M. Henderson but subsequent notices of taxes were mailed by the Secretary of the Village to G. S. Leach and Ira E. McLean.

That I was nominated for Councillor for the Village of Empress at a regular Nomination Meeting held in the village schoolhouse on Monday, Dec. 7th, 1914, which nomination being in regular form and accepted by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Village acting as Returning officer.

That on Thursday, December 10th, 1914, I was declared by the said Returning Officer as ineligible for Councillor for the following reason, viz:-

That the name, Ira E. McLean did not legally appear on the last revised assessment roll of the Village of Empress. That I did on the 14th day of Dec. 1914, examine the said assessment Roll and the names of G. S. Leach and Ira E. McLean, did appear on the Roll, as owners of Lot 22, Block 11, with the following notation initialed by

Secretary-Treasurer, dated the 14th day of October, 1914 viz: "Not certain whether these men are owners or have any interest in this lot."

That I did, on the 14th day of December, 1914, interview the Reeve of the Village of Empress as to whether or not this alteration in the Assessment roll was by direction of the Council and he informed me that it was not by direction of instruction of the Council.

And I make this solemn

declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared before me at Empress, Alberta, in the Province of Alberta, this four-McLean tenth day of December, A.D. 1914.

Geo. L. Brown, a Commissioner in and for the Province of Alberta. Advt.

The Empress Meat Market

has now in stock a good supply of

Fresh Meats

Hams, Bacon, Fresh Halibut, Salmon
Smoked Bloaters, Finnan Haddie, Oysters
Lard, Suet, Butter and Eggs

Highest Cash Prices Paid for Beef, Pork, Poultry and Hides

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Light and Heavy Draying. Household Furniture and Safes Removed

TRUNKS AND BAGGAGE CAREFULLY HANDLED

Your Business Solicited

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 Meals at All Hours
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 Quick service, Clean and nice
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 W. NELSON, prop.

Undertaking and Embalming
 UP-TO-DATE
 Coffins and Caskets on hand
 M. C. BAER, UNDERTAKER
 J. Cusack in charge

The Splendid
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Bogton Prince
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FRIDAY, DEC. 18th, 1914

Correspondence

The publishers will not hold themselves respon-
 sible for any opinions expressed under the
 above heading.

Empress, Alta., Dec. 14th, 1914
 To the Editor of the Empress
 Express.

Dear sir:
 It would appear from the last
 issue of your paper that our
 friend Robertson had sent out
 the Macedonian Cry, "Come
 overland help us," and his Gas-
 co's friend recognising a brother
 in distress, hastened to his
 assistance.

"Councillor" Robertson en-
 deavors to explain that he ac-
 cepted a challenge thrown out
 by myself to explain my con-
 nection with the Empress Gas
 Co., whereas my challenge was
 and is here repeated to either
 himself or Mr. Ogletree, to
 make any definite statements
 reflecting on my integrity in
 opposing the Empress Gas Co.'s
 application for a Gas Franchise
 in the Village of Empress.

It is not news to my friends
 or opponents either that I did
 gamble Fifty Dollars on Mr.
 Ogletree's honesty, and I lost
 the Fifty without squealing.

I never belonged to Mr. Og-
 letree's Gas Co., nor to Mr. Og-
 letree's syndicate. Before his
 Company was formed I had be-
 fore the Village was incorpor-
 ated Mr. Ogletree came to me
 with a proposition for forming
 a company. His proposition as
 outlined by him at that time,
 looked like a good thing for the
 Village, and I agreed to go in
 and deposited fifty dollars in
 good faith, but later I learned
 that he had formed a company
 with some gentlemen in Medi-
 cine Hat.

One evening when Mr. Og-
 letree was rather mellow and his
 tongue was loose, he said to me
 no more inside information re-
 garding the company and the
 methods that would be used to
 put one over the people of Em-
 press.

I informed him that he would
 get no support from me to tie
 up the Village to a rotten pro-
 position like that, and that so
 far as I was concerned I would
 not take any stock in his com-
 pany nor have anything to do
 with the deal whatsoever. If
 I was connected with his com-
 pany, why does he not collect
 from me to help defray the
 legal expenses in connection
 with it?

My statement is not accom-
 panied by an affidavit for I do
 not hold my words so cheaply.

In the Empress Express of
 Feb. 13th, 1914 appears this

Mother's Bread

Fresh every sunrise
 Crisp, Sweet, and
 Wholesome
 Served on all good tables

THE BREAD OF BREADS

Send in your orders for Xmas
 Cakes and Breads early, which
 means NOW.

MACKIE'S

statement "Just before going
 to press Mr. F. A. Ogletree called
 in the Express Office and
 stated that it was he who ap-
 plied for a charter for the Em-
 press Gas Co., Ltd. That no
 one here is interested in the com-
 pany." Mr. Editor kindly confirm
 or refute my statement. [The
 above statement did appear in
 the issue named in an article
 referring to the Company.—Ed.]

My truthful friend from Es-
 tuary which of your published
 statements is correct?
 At our Nomination Meeting
 I made a statement that Dr.
 Robertson had written to Em-
 press saying if they were going
 to give their Franchise away he
 wanted that plum.

He gave me the lie direct.
 In a copy of a letter, signed
 Wm. Robertson, M.D., furnish-
 ed me by the Empress of Trade,
 we find this clause, "I do not
 wish to infringe on the Em-
 press peoples rights, but if they
 are determined to give a Gas
 Franchise I am in the field to
 get that plum." Who is the
 prevaricator now, Councillor
 Robertson or myself?

Mr. Editor, I am not a writer
 of poetic effusions, tearful fare-
 wells or Election Roorback's,
 but if Mr. Ogletree and Dr.
 Robertson can dope up their
 failing nerve and meet me at a
 public meeting in the Grand
 Theatre at any hour and date
 they may name, I will be de-
 lighted to discuss this question
 with them, and the people of
 Empress will hear some inter-
 esting details of the Empress
 Gas Co. and its illustrious pro-
 genitor.

Yours truly,
 ADVT. Daniel McEachern

Leaders from Leeland

Joe Muza has just completed
 and moved into his new "bung-
 alow."

Gordon Mills has returned to
 his homestead after several
 months absence.

The choir will be entertained
 this week by Miss Alke Kunst.

Another lucky one to return
 to our midst is Walter Czer-
 winski of Winnipeg. Mr.
 Czerwinski has been absent for
 considerable time, but after
 the good time he will be shown
 here, he will want to become a per-
 manent fixture.

A number from this locality
 took in the dance given in
 the Social Plains school house
 last Friday night and report a
 scrumptious time.

The Sunday School was fa-
 vored Sunday with a violin duet
 by Messrs. Spaasen and De
 Grote. After the discussion of
 the lesson several pointed ques-
 tions were put by the Superin-
 tendent, Mr. T. C. Rodgers,
 which were suggested by Lord
 Kitchener's message to the sol-
 diers.

A movement is on foot for
 the placing of a government
 ferry at Sandy Point on the
 Saskatchewan River. It is
 being agitated more for the
 purpose of shortening the distance
 to the railroad. But it is de-
 cidedly of importance to us
 also as it will enable us to work
 in conjunction with our neigh-
 bors across the river for the
 furtherance of mutual interests
 and for the welfare of the en-
 tire district.—(We thoroughly
 endorse our correspondents
 view, let us work together to
 bring all possible pressure to
 bear that a government ferry
 be placed at this point.—Ed.)

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 mas present of a year's sub-
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In many promissory notes the "e" is silent.

er read the above letters. A new
appears from time to time. The
genuine, true, and fall of Roma
rest.

That's right. Now, look at these chicks of mine. They wouldn't have amounted to anything if they hadn't been ss' upon.

"He has swallowed his pride."
"What has happened to him?"
"He's busted."
"He might have known if he ever
allowed his pride it would bust
n."

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Pumpkin, two cans for.....	.25
Beets, two for.....	.25
B. C. Corn, two tins for.....	.25
B. C. Peas, two tins for.....	.25
Catsup, two tins for.....	.25
Clark's Pork and Beans, 1lb. tins, three for.....	.25
" " " 2lb. tins, three for.....	.40
Van Camp's Pork and Beans.....	.20
Wax Beans, two tins for.....	.25
B. C. Tomatoes, 3lb tins, per tin 20c., two for.....	.35
" " " 2 1-2lb tin, per tin.....	.15
Mushrooms in glass, each.....	.35
" " in tins, large size 25c., two for.....	.45
Macedoins, per tin.....	.25
New burford Corn, nine tins for.....	\$1.00
New Burford Peas, nine tins for.....	\$1.00
French Peas, per tin 20c., two for.....	.35
" " extra fine, per tin.....	.25
Spanish Onions, 4lbs. for.....	.25
Parasips, per lb.....	.4
Carrots, per lb.....	.4
Turnips, per lb.....	.3
Canadian Onions, per lb.....	.4
Cabbage, 2 1-4 and 4c. a lb.	
Potatoes, a bushel.....	\$1.30
Celery, per lb.....	.10
Jars of Pure Honey.....	.25
Raisins, 16oz. packet, two for.....	.25
" 12oz. packet, per packet.....	.10
Currants, sixteen ounce pac., per package.....	.15
Sultanas, 16 ounce pac., 20c., two for.....	.35
Citron Peel per pound.....	.25
Orange Peel, per pound.....	.20
Lemon Peel, per pound.....	.20
Mixed Peel, per lb.....	.20
ROCK SALT, 2½c. per lb.; COARSE SALT, 50lbs. for \$1.00	
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PURE MAPLE SUGAR 5c. per cake

ALL KINDS OF NUTS IN SHELL

Almonds..... per pound 25c.

Walnuts..... per pound 25c.

Brazil..... per pound 30c.

Pilberts..... per pound 20c.

Peanuts..... per pound 15c.

All mixed..... per pound 20c.

CORN TO POP—10c. per pound

LIMA BEANS, two pounds for 25c.

KIPPERED HERINGs, two tins for 25c.

CANADIAN SARDINES—5 for 25c.

SALMON, best Sockeye..... 25c. per tin

Salmon, pink..... two for 25c.

NEW SALT HERINGs, per keg \$1.10

ONTARIO APPLES, \$5.50 per barrel

B. C. APPLES, \$1.75 and \$2.00 per box

3lb. packet BEST TEA—\$1.00

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GRAPE FRUIT GRAPES

FRESH RIPE TOMATOES

New stock of FRESH FIGS from 10c. per lb.

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Rolled Oats, 8lb. bags 40c.

Rolled Oats, 20lb. bags—\$1.10

Corn Flakes, three packages—25c.

Cream of Wheat, two packages—45c.

Pancake Flour, two packages—25c.

PURE MAPLE SYRUP

Qt. tins, per tin 45c.; 1 gall. tins 80c.

Pride of Canada, per bottle 50c.; 1½ bottles for 70c.

CRYSTAL SYRUP, 10lb. tins..... per tin 80c.

MOLASSES..... 2lb. tin 15c., two for 25c.

3lb. tin Molasses..... 20c. per tin

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Grubham, Buckwheat, Robin Hood, per cwt. \$1

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Peanut Butter, per jar 20c.; Fard Dates, 2lbs

for 25c.; H. P. Sauce, bottle 25c.; Worcester

Sauce, two bottles for 25c.

5lb. tins Baking Powder, 90c.

B. C. Brit. Peas, per tin 15c.

CANNED FRUITS—

Pacific State Peaches, 2 tins 25c.; B.C. Cherries

25c., two for 45c.; B.C. Raspberries, 25c., two

for 45c.; B.C. Peaches, 25c., 2 for 45c.; Gold

Bar Pineapple, 25c., 2 for 45c.; Lawtonberries

25c., 2 for 45c.; Strawberries, 25c., 2 for 45c.;

Greengages, 20c., 2 for 35c.; Yellow Plums,

20c., 2 for 35c.; Pineapple, 20c., 2 for 35c.;

B.C. Bartlett Pears, per tin 20c.; Apples, 1 gal

tin 35c.; Rosedale Peaches, per tin 30c.; Rose-

dale Apples, per tin 30c.; Gooseberries, per

tin, 20c.; Blueberries, 20c., 2 for 35c.; Lombard

Plums, 15c., 2 for 25c.

SPECIAL

New burford Tomatoes, a tin.....	.15
Corn on cob, per tin.....	.55
Asparagus Tips, per tin.....	.25
Catsup, 1 gal. tins, per tin.....	.65
Corn, dark, per tin.....	.5
Campbell's Soup, two tins for.....	.25
1lb. package Dates.....	.10
Jelly Powder, 7 packets.....	.50
Rice, four pounds for.....	.25
Beans, fourteen lbs. for.....	\$1.00
Sago, three Pounds for.....	.25
Split Peas, four pounds for.....	.25
Three lb. pails of Lard at.....	.50
Five lb. pails of Lard, pure.....	.80
Ten lb. rails of Lard, pure.....	\$1.60
Twenty lb. Pails of Lard, pure.....	\$3.50
Evaporated Milk, nine tins for.....	\$1.00
Condensed Milk, seven tins for.....	\$1.00
Macaroni, three packages for.....	.25
Cooking Figs, three lbs. for.....	.25
Eddy's Matches, two boxes for.....	.25
Honey, 2 1-2 lb. Pails, each.....	.55
Pure Honey Comb, each.....	.30
Five lb. pail Jam.....	.70
Apricots, two lbs. for.....	.35
Corn Syrup, 5lb. pails.....	.35
Corn Syrup, 10lb. pails for.....	.70
Corn Syrup, 20lb. pails for.....	\$1.40
Corn Syrup, two pound pails, two for.....	.35
Evaporated Apples, per lb.....	.10
" peaches, 10c. per lb., 3lb for.....	.25
" choice, per lb.....	.10
Wheat Granulars, per bag.....	.30
Corn Meal, best, 10lb. bag for.....	.40
Shredded Wheat, two packets for.....	.25
Puff Wheat, per package.....	.10
Sterilized Wheat per pkg.....	.15
Quaker Oats, per packet.....	.30
20lb. bag of Granulated Sugar.....	\$1.70
Cranberries, two pounds for.....	.25
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